To: United Faculty Members

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The UF negotiating team has been communicating with Irma Ramos, Vice Chancellor of Human Resources, to schedule dates for negotiations in order to finish our contract year of 2018/2019.

We will also be submitting our proposal for the 2019/2020 successor agreement by the contractual deadline of Oct. 15th.

During a special meeting at 3:30 pm on 10/9/19, the negotiations team provided a summary to the UF EBoard and Rep. Council in regards to the District's 18/19 financial report. In addition, the negotiations team collected feedback during the meeting concerning contract article items that are of concern.

Faculty have made it clear that on-schedule salary increases, dependent health benefits, and lecture/lab parity are a priority. These are the priority of the negotiations team.

The negotiations team has been, and will continue, meeting to formulate strategies. The diversity of the team has led to a great work dynamic, encouraging a flow of ideas and insights that has been positive, collegial, and energetic. We'll send regular updates to keep everyone informed of our progress.